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## Regional disarmament

*The General Assembly*,

*Recognizing* the importance of promoting regional and international peace and security,

*Reconfirming* the commitment of the international community to the goal of total elimination of nuclear weapons and the building of a nuclear-weapon-free world,

*Welcoming* efforts towards the conclusion of new nuclear-weapon-free zone treaties on the basis of arrangements freely arrived at among the States of the region concerned,

*Bearing in mind* the guidelines on the establishment of nuclear-weapon-free zones on the basis of arrangements freely arrived at among the States of the region concerned which the Disarmament Commission adopted by consensus on 30 April 1999,

*Expressing confidence* that the international community will continue to establish new nuclear-weapon-free zones in accordance with the relevant guidelines of the Disarmament Commission and in that spirit *welcoming* the efforts and proposals that have been made since 1995 by States in various regions of the world,

*Noting* its resolutions on the establishment of nuclear-weapon-free zones in regions where they have not been established yet, including resolutions 52/35 of 9 December 1997, 53/77 A of 4 December 1998, 53/77 H of 4 December 1998, 54/51 of 1 December 1999, 54/54 G of 1 December 1999, 54/54 L of 1 December 1999 and also all previous relevant resolutions on this issue,

*Taking into account* the suggestion that the conditions under which the non-nuclear-weapon States concerned would be ready to participate in the establishment of nuclear-weapon-free zones in their respective regions should be determined,

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1. *Takes note* of all the initiatives taken since 1995 by States in various regions of the world, including the initiative for the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free space in Central and Eastern Europe;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to seek the views of all Member States on conditions under which non-nuclear-weapon States would be ready to participate in the establishment of nuclear-weapon-free zones in their respective regions;

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session an item entitled "Regional disarmament and non-proliferation".